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## **Career Summary:**

- Managed \$6M+ <u>portfolio</u> partnerships from Gates Foundation, USDA, USAID; designing programs that unite NGOs, governments, and businesses to transform food systems.
- 15+ years leading climate-smart agriculture & policy initiatives, bridging grassroots action, research, and advocacy.
- Possess over five years of experience in national-level agricultural development, advocacy, and outreach.
- Experienced in conducting talk shows, facilitating dialogue programs hosting events
- Skilled in marketing communications, media engagement, AI ethics, and new media management

#### **Employment History:**

#### Outreach Specialist, (Jan 2, 2025 - Present), College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Michigan State University

- Assisted in organizing a 25-member cohort for MSU's 2025 Agricultural Biotechnology Short Course.
- Assisted in organizing the CANR Europe Forum, fostering new collaborations between MSU CANR and European institutions on agriculture, climate resilience, and food security.
- Assisted in organizing the MSU Extension delegation visit to MANAGE (India), strengthening global agricultural collaboration.
- Assisted a six-day international extension program with eight participants from Taiwan, Kenya, Bangladesh, and India, fostering cross-cultural knowledge exchange and collaboration.
- Identified and established partnerships with collaborators in South Asia and other global regions, including Africa and Asia.
- Supported donor engagement and external grant acquisition efforts for collaborative programs.

# Hub Coordinator, (Aug 1, 2024 – Dec 30, 2024), Start Network

- Managed the entire lifecycle of hub incubation activities with 38 local, national and international NGOs
- Oversaw the effective use of Hub funds, collaborating with finance staff
- Led the Hub Leadership Team through decision-making processes on governance structures, policies, and operational procedures
- Managed Hub Operations & Communication
- Developed and implemented a membership engagement strategy to foster collaboration and participation
- Collaborated with the Start Network's Network Development Team and other Hubs to promote alignment and shared ways of working

#### Sr Specialist, Project Management & Communication (June 15, 2019 – July 30, 2024), Farming Future Bangladesh

- Managed \$4.1 million Gates Foundation-supported project.
- Led **U.S. Embassy, Dhaka, USDA and USAID** Biotechnology Social Media Campaign, <u>Virtual Media Tour</u> and Media RoundTable (Bangladesh, Indonesia, and Philippines)
- Managed \$2.0 million Feed the Future, USAID Insect Resistant Eggplant Partnership (IREP) Project.

- In partnership with Michigan State, spearheaded the organizing of the South Asia Climate Forum on
  "Climate Action and Food System Transformation in South Asia," which brought together delegates from
  Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka.
- Managed a diverse portfolio of high-impact programs, including 13 radio episodes on Bangladesh Betar, 109 TV dialogues on Deepto Television, and a nationwide youth campaign spanning 15 universities.
- Directed strategic training and outreach efforts, overseeing national and regional capacity-building programs for scientists, journalists (network of 115+), and Interfaith leaders (500+ trained), enhancing communication and collaboration in agriculture, food, and nutrition sectors.
- Led and organized a high-profile capacity building `Science Communication` training event for National Agricultural Research Systems`(NARS) scientists, and other scientists from Cornell University, Alliance for Science, USAID, USDA and SABP
- Led a team of 16 members, consists of managers, assistant managers and associates

#### Manager, Marketing Communication & Business Development (Jan 15, 2018 – Jun 12, 2019), Bengal Express Ltd

- Supervised and lead a nine-member marketing communication and business development team that looked after a chain food and hospitality business i.e., four top-notch restaurants and five FMCGs.
- Researched, developed, and introduced a few popular yet unavailable hygienic and nutritious Bangla dishes in one of the restaurants named 'Paturi'.
- Conducted five school campaigns and 10 capacity building training in nutrition and health, compassion, origami, pottery, baking, robotics for children around Dhaka City.
- Developed marketing, advertising, advocacy, sales strategies.

# Communication and Social Media Manager (May 1, 2016 - December 31, 2017), MetaConnect

- Lead a six-member Bangladesh team of digital marketing communication.
- Coordinated with the Sweden team to cater international clients.
- Supervised and lead communication and product promotion for 15 corporate clients.
- Conducted over 21 digital campaigns

### Project Assistant (March 15, 2015 – April 30, 2016), International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)

- Lead and act as the communication focal point for the 'Updating Species Red List of Bangladesh' project.
- Coordinated four regional level campaigns for promoting awareness among the youth, students, academia, scientists, and civil society members.
- Supervised to develop the country's first web-based Species Red Listing website.
- Acted as an interim Communication Country Manager for three months.

# Senior Assistant Coordinator, Communication & Media (May 1, 2013 – February 14, 2015), Eminence

Newsroom, Web Portal & Social Media Coordinator (August 1, 2012 - April 30, 2013), New Look Media (Pvt.) Limited

National Programme Officer, Strategic Partnership and Fundraising (May 1, 2011 – December 30, 2012), Sundarbans Tiger Project, Wildteam

Public Relation Executive (January 1, 2011 - April 30, 2011), Interspeed Advertising

Staff Reporter (March 1, 2008 – December 31, 2010), Canvas Magazine

Desk Reporter (Trainee) (October 1, 2007 – February 29, 2008), The Daily Amader Somoy

Paid Contributor (October 1, 2007 - January 30, 2008), bdnews24.com

Feature Reporter (March 15, 2007 – September 30, 2007), The Daily Jaijaidin

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Degree	Major/Concentration	Institution	Result	Year	Duration
PGD in Enterprise	Enterprise,	Dhaka School of	CGPA 3.69	2022	1 Year
Development	Economics, Startup	Economics	/ 4.00		
Master of Development	Development Studies	North South	CGPA 3.02	2014	2 Years
Studies		University	/ 4.00		
BSS in Journalism & Media	Mass Communication	Stamford University	CGPA 3.52	2010	4 Years
Studies	& Journalism	Bangladesh	/ 4.00		

# **Training Summary**

Training Title	Institute	Year
Forest Carbon Credits and Initiatives	Michigan State University	2025
Green Skills for a Sustainable and Just Future Specialization	University of Michigan	2025
Design Thinking for Innovation	University of Virginia	2025
Responsible Generative Al	University of Michigan	2025
Agricultural Biotechnology, Biosafety & Tech Transfer	Michigan State University	2024
Science Communication and Agricultural Biotechnology	Cornell University	2022
Journalist Toolkit on E-Health	Johns Hopkins University	2013
National Communication Framework	MoHFW and USAID	2013
Knowledge Management for BCC Workshop	Johns Hopkins University - CCP	2013